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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of:           | ) |                        |
|                                 | : | Examiner: Tommy D. Lee |
| ATSUSHI USHIRODA                | ) |                        |
|                                 | : | Group Art Unit: 2624   |
| Application No.: 09/690,089     | ) |                        |
|                                 | : | Confirmation No.: 3597 |
| Filed: October 17, 2000         | ) |                        |
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| For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS | ) | January 11, 2005       |
| AND METHOD FOR CORRECTING       | : |                        |
| PRINT DATA SO AS TO REDUCE      | ) |                        |
| DENSITY UNEVENNESS, AND         | : |                        |
| IMAGE FORMING SYSTEM            | ) |                        |

Commissioner for Patents  
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) mailed December 27, 2004, please find attached a revised section from the Amendment filed on May 17, 2004, setting forth the amendments to the claims. This revised section includes a complete listing of all the claims, and correctly identifies claim 12 as "currently amended" instead of "amended". Favorable consideration is requested.

Applicant submits that this application is in condition for allowance.

Favorable consideration and an early Notice of Allowance are respectfully sought.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M.J. Didas", is written over a horizontal line.

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